

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L RIYADH 635

EXDIS HANDLE AS NODIS

FOR SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR WEST

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PERP, SA, US  
SUBJECT: SAUDI POSITION ON PEACE PROCESS

REF JIDDA 5595

1. EMBASSY JIDDA HAS REFLECTED ON CONTENT AND CIRCUMSTANCES  
SURROUNDING SAUD LETTER TO VANCE AS CONTAINED IN REFTEL  
TOGETHER WITH TODAY'S NEWSPAPER AND EDITORIAL COMMENT BEING  
TRANSMITTED SEPTELS AND HAS THESE OBSERVATIONS AND COMMENTS:

2. STATEMENT OF POSITION AS CONTAINED IN LETTER IS NO DOUBT  
BASIS OF TALKS OF FAHD AND SAUD WITH SADAT, ASSAD AND HUSSEIN  
BEING CONCLUDED TODAY.

3. BELIEVE PURPOSE OF FAHD-SAUD VISITS IS TO ATTEMPT TO GET ARAB  
CONSENSUS AND SUPPORT FOR VIEWS CONTAINED IN LETTER.

4. IF VISITS ACHIEVE THIS PURPOSE, MESSAGE TO U.S. FROM ARAB  
WORLD IS THEN CLEAR: "EITHER GET CONCESSIONS FROM BEGIN OR COME  
FORTH WITH U.S. PLAN - WE'RE TIRED OF BEGIN'S STALLING TACTICS  
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WHICH WILL NEVER ACHIEVE PEACE, SO WE'RE BLOWING THE WHISTLE NOW."

5. ABOVE MAY BE RESTATING OBVIOUS, BUT IF CORRECT STRIKES AT  
BASIS OF OUR PRESENT APPROACH TO PEACE PROCESS.

6. GETTING SAUDIS OFF PROJECTED TRACK WILL BE EXTREMELY  
DIFFICULT ABSENT SOME NEW INGREDIENT OR APPROACH, ESPECIALLY

IF VISIT SUCCEEDS.

7. AWAIT WITH INTEREST POST REPORTS OF FAHD'S MEETINGS ELSEWHERE.  
GRANINGER

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